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New York

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	Netherlands	Mr. Kooijmans
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	Tunisia	Mr. Tekaya
	Ukraine	Mr. Yatsyuk
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Mr. Harrison
	United States of America	Mr. Minton

Agenda

The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

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The meeting was called to order at 2.30 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

The President (*spoke in Chinese*): The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda.

The Council is meeting in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

Following consultations among members of the Council, I have been authorized to make the following statement on behalf of the Council:

"The Security Council expresses its grave concern at renewed fighting between Ugandan and Rwandan forces in Kisangani, Democratic Republic of the Congo, which began on 5 May 2000. The Council endorses the statement made by its Mission to the Democratic Republic of the Congo on 5 May 2000 in Kinshasa calling for an immediate halt to the fighting.

"The Security Council condemns unreservedly the outbreak of military hostilities in Kisangani. This renewed fighting is, once more, threatening the implementation of the Lusaka Ceasefire Agreement (S/1999/815). The Council is also concerned by reports of the killing of innocent Congolese civilians.

"The Security Council demands that these latest hostilities cease immediately and that those involved in the fighting at Kisangani reaffirm their commitment to the Lusaka process and comply with all relevant Security Council resolutions. The Council reaffirms its commitment to the national sovereignty, territorial integrity and political independence of the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

"The Security Council considers that this violent action directly violates the Lusaka Agreement; the 8 April 2000 Kampala Disengagement Plan; the 14 April 2000 ceasefire; the subsequent written instructions to field commanders to abide by this ceasefire; and relevant Security Council resolutions.

"The Security Council will remain actively seized of the matter."

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The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on the agenda.

The meeting rose at 2.35 p.m.